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WAR NOTICES

PAY AND ALLOWANCES IN WAR MEDICAL SERVICES

The Royal Naval Medical Service

Practitioners will, in general, be commissioned as Surgeon Lieutenant. The rates of pay and allowances are as follows:

	Full Pay of Single Officers (See Note (*a*)).	Full Pay of Married Officers (See Note (*b*)).
	£	£
Surgeon Lieutenant on entry	438	522
„ „ after 3 years	478	562
Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander on promotion	541	624
Surgeon Commander on promotion ..	706	788

NOTES.—(*a*) Lodging allowance at the rate of £80 per annum is payable when service accommodation is not provided. (*b*) Children's allowances are paid in addition at the following rates: 2s. a day for first child; 1s. a day for each subsequent child.

Officers entered as specialists are given the rank of Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander as soon as they take up a specialist appointment.

In addition to marriage allowance (which is included in full pay of married officers, see table above), children's allowance, and lodging allowance, the following allowances are also payable:

When in charge of hospitals and sick quarters	10s. and 5s. a day
Specialist allowances (when authorized)	5s. a day.
Senior medical officers in flagships ..	5s. and 2s. 6d. a day.
Provision allowance, when victualling is not provided	£47 per annum at present.

Colonial allowances and free passage for the wives and families of officers employed on shore abroad are paid in certain cases.

The R.A.M.C.

Commissions are in all cases as Lieutenant, except that the rank of Captain is granted to practitioners who held commissions in the R.A.M.C. in the last war and reached the substantive rank of Captain or higher. Specialists will be given the acting rank of Major on being posted to an authorized specialist appointment (such an appointment also carries additional pay of 4s. 6d. a day). In general, an officer is eligible for promotion to the rank of Captain on the completion of one year's commissioned service, providing that he is considered to be fitted for such promotion. All commissions are for the duration of war—that is, until demobilization. The basic rates of pay—that is, exclusive of allowances—are as follows:

Rank	Pay
Lieutenant	£362
Captain	£447
Major	£621

Further details as to allowances are given in the following table. This, however, is only applicable to (*a*) unmarried officers, (*b*) married officers of 30 years of age or over who are not separated from their families.

Rank	Pay	Allowances *							Approximate Total per annum	
				Married †			Unmarried			
		Rations	Servant	Lodging	Fuel and Light	Furniture	Lodging	Fuel and Light	Married	Unmarried
	£ s. d.	s.	s.	s. d.	s. d.	s.	s. d.	s. d.	£	£
Lieutenant ..	19 10	2	2	3 6	1 8	2	2 6	0 8	560	487
Captain ..	1 4 6	2	2	4 6	2 11	2	2 6	0 8	686	572
Major ..	1 14 0	2	2	4 6	3 0	2	4 0	1 4	861	785

* The allowances are not issued when the services which they cover are provided by the State.

† A married officer, for the purpose of allowances, is one who, not being a widower, or divorced, without a family (as defined in Allowance Regulations), is married and who makes financial provision for his family.

In certain circumstances an allowance of 6d. a day is granted for the preparation and service of meals.

Where a married officer of 30 years of age or over is separated from his family on account of Service requirements he will be treated as unmarried, as set forth in the above table, and in addition will receive a consolidated allowance in respect of his separated family if they are not in quarters as follows: Major or Captain, 7s. 6d.; Lieutenant, 6s.

In the case of a married officer below 30 years of age an allowance in respect of his family will be issuable during the war at the following daily rates:

	s. d.
For wife only	3 0
For wife and one child..	4 6
For wife and two or more children	5 6
For one child only	4 6
For two or more children	5 6

In addition he will be entitled, in the absence of provision in kind, to the allowances admissible for an unmarried officer provided that when he is not separated from his family the allowance in respect of his family together with the lodging and fuel and light allowances of an unmarried officer will not exceed the total of the lodging, fuel and light, and furniture allowances issuable to a married officer of 30 years of age or over who is not separated from his family.

Field allowance is, broadly speaking, issuable to officers, both at home and abroad, who are placed in unfurnished accommodation. The daily rates are: Major and above, 3s. 6d.; Captain, 3s.; Lieutenant, 2s. Colonial allowance is issuable at certain stations abroad to meet the extra cost of living.

Medical Branch of the Royal Air Force

Practitioners will be commissioned in the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve Medical Branch normally in the rank of Flying Officer on entry. Exceptional qualifications and experience of a candidate will, however, be taken into consideration, and he may be granted, at the discretion of the Air Council, the rank of Flight Lieutenant on entry. He will be listed for duties as a medical officer, but will be employed, so far as possible, in work pertaining to his qualifications. While so employed, if the authorized establishment of the unit to which he is posted holds a vacancy in the rank of Squadron

Leader, he will be granted the rank of Acting Squadron Leader.

Candidates appointed as specialists will be posted to a vacancy holding the rank of Squadron Leader or above, if applicable, and while so employed will be granted the appropriate acting rank. Flying officers will be eligible for time promotion to the substantive rank of Flight Lieutenant after one year's service on full pay, provided they are considered suitable to hold the higher rank.

The rates of pay and cash allowances are given in the table below:

	Pay*		Cash allowances at home rates in lieu of quarters, rations, and servant, if not available in kind (yearly)†		Pay *plus* allowances (yearly)	
	Daily	Yearly	Married	Unmarried	Married	Unmarried
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Flying Officer	1 1 8	395 8 4	197 14 2	124 14 2	593 2 6	520 2 6
Flight Lieutenant	1 3 6	428 17 6	237 5 0	124 14 2	666 2 6	553 11 8
„ after 2 years	1 5 4	462 6 8	237 5 0	124 14 2	699 11 8	587 0 10
Squadron Leader	1 15 4	644 16 8	240 5 10	164 5 0	885 2 6	809 1 8

* Except for periods of service under Indian administration. For such periods, officers receive pay and allowances at rates and subject to conditions authorized from time to time by the Government of India.

† These allowances are issued only when accommodation, fuel and light, rations and personal attendance are not available in kind. Normally, provision in kind is available for junior officers.

The above married rates are only applicable in the case of officers of the age of 30 or over who are not separated from their families on account of Service requirements. The rates given above in the case of the R.A.M.C. are also applicable to married officers of the Royal Air Force under the age of 30, and to married officers over the age of 30 who are separated from their families.

It may be remarked that in the case of all three of the fighting Services the allowances payable to medical personnel are the same as those payable, at corresponding ranks, to officers generally.

TABLE OF OFFICIAL B.M.A. DATES

March 16, Sat.	Nomination papers available (on application at head office) for election of (i) 22 members of Council by grouped Branches in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; (ii) 2 Public Health Service members of Council and 4 representatives of the Public Health Service in the Representative Body.
April 10, Wed.	**Council.**
April 20, Sat	Publication of Annual Report of Council in the *Supplement*. Last day for receipt at head office of nominations: (i) by a Division of not less than 3 members, for election of 22 members of Council by grouped Branches in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; (ii) for election of 2 Public Health Service members of Council and 4 representatives of the Public Health Service in the Representative Body.
May 11, Sat.	Publication in *Supplement* of list of nominations for election of: (i) 22 members of Council by grouped Branches in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; (ii) 2 Public Health Service members of Council and 4 representatives of the Public Health Service in the Representative Body. Voting papers posted from head office where there are contests in above elections.
May 13, Mon.	Motions by Divisions and Branches for A.R.M. Agenda on matters on which two months' notice must be given must be received at head office by this date.
May 18, Sat.	Publication in the *Supplement* of motions and amendments by Divisions and Branches for A.R.M. on matters of which two months' notice must be given.
	Representatives and Deputy Representatives must be elected by this date.
	Last day for receipt at head office of voting papers for election, where there are contests, of (i) 22 members of Council by grouped Branches in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; (ii) 2 Public Health Service members of Council and 4 representatives of the Public Health Service in the Representative Body.
June 1, Sat.	Publication in the *Supplement* of result of election of members of Council and result of above elections.
	Nomination papers available (on application to head office) for election of 12 members of Council by grouped representatives.
June 6, Thurs.	Names of Representatives and Deputy Representatives must be received at head office by this date.
July 2, Tues.	Other items for inclusion in A.R.M. printed agenda must be received at head office by this date.
July 19, Fri.	**Annual Representative Meeting,** Birmingham.
July 20, Sat.	**Annual Representative Meeting,** Birmingham.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Secretary.

Postgraduate News

The Fellowship of Medicine announces the following postgraduate courses for Final F.R.C.S. candidates: (1) comprehensive course at Royal Cancer Hospital, daily to March 19, 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., including clinical demonstrations, tutorials, museum and *x*-ray demonstrations; (2) practical operative surgery course at Royal Cancer Hospital, afternoons (or by arrangement) from April 8 to May 3; (3) orthopaedic course at Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, Fridays, April 5, 12, 19, and 26, at 2 p.m.; (4) tutorial and clinical course, March 28 to May 7; tutorials twice weekly at 5 p.m., and clinical once weekly at 5.30 p.m. The tutorials will consist of lecture-demonstrations, illustrated by slides, *x*-rays, and pathological specimens, and the clinical classes entirely of examination of cases, three demonstrators being present each time; (5) pathology at the Royal College of Surgeons of England (Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.), four separate afternoon courses on Wednesdays and Thursdays as follows: (*a*) April 2 and 3; (*b*) April 9 and 10; (*c*) April 16 and 17; (*d*) April 23 and 24. Each pathology course is limited to six postgraduates.

WEEKLY POSTGRADUATE DIARY

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL, Ducane Road, W.—*Daily*, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Medical Clinics, Surgical Clinics and Operations, Obstetrical and Gynaecological Clinics and Operations. *Daily*, 1.30 to 2 p.m., Post-mortem Demonstration. *Wed.*, 11.30 a.m., Clinico-pathological Conference (Medical); 3 p.m., Clinico-pathological Conference (Surgical). *Thurs.*, 2 to 4 p.m., Radiological Conference, Dr. Duncan White.

FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE AND POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, 1, Wimpole Street, W.—*Brompton Hospital*, S.W.: Mon. and Thurs., 5 p.m., M.R.C.P. Course in Chest Diseases. *Royal Cancer Hospital*, Fulham Road, S.W.: Daily, 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Final F.R.C.S. Comprehensive Course. *West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases*, In-patient Department, Gloucester Gate, N.W.: Mon., 5.30 p.m., Neurological Surgery Course.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL, University Street, Gower Street, W.C.—*Tues.*, 5 p.m. Thirteenth Biennial Sydney Ringer Memorial Lecture by Prof. H. P. Himsworth: Insulin Deficiency and Insulin Inefficiency.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

Section of Pathology.—Tues., 4 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council for 1940–1. Discussion: Effect of Antiseptics on Wounds. Openers, Prof. Alexander Fleming, Dr. M. A. Falconer, and Prof. L. P. Garrod.

EUGENICS SOCIETY.—At Linnean Society's Rooms, Burlington House, Piccadilly, W. *Tues.*, 4.30 p.m., Mrs. Thurtle: Abortion—Right or Wrong?

VACANCIES

EXAMINING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The following vacant appointments are announced: Thornhill (Dumfries); New Mills (Cheshire). Applications to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Cleland House, Page Street, S.W.1, by March 19.

APPOINTMENTS

PAGE, A. P. M., M.D., M.R.C.P., D.C.H., Medical Superintendent and Physician, City General Hospital, Leicester.

PETRIE, R. N., M.B., C.M., Examining Factory Surgeon for the Stromness District (Orkney).

ROBERTS, J. L. DIGBY, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S., Senior Resident Medical Officer (Obstetrical and Gynaecological), Mill Road Infirmary, Liverpool.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.—The following appointments in the Mental Health Services have been made at the hospitals indicated in parentheses. *First Assistant Medical Officers*: J. K. Marshall, D.M., D.P.M. (Banstead); Mary E. Tyars, M.D., D.P.M. (St. Ebba's). *Temporary Deputy Medical Superintendent*: J. C. Bath, M.D., D.P.M.

B.M.A.: Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

EAST YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—At Quern House, Park Street, Hull, Tuesday, March 19, 8.30 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee and discussion on Local Medical War Problems, to be opened by Dr. T. Ritchie Rodger and Dr. N. Gebbie. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.

HERTFORDSHIRE BRANCH: ST. ALBANS DIVISION.—At Messrs. Buglers Rooms, Market Place, St. Albans, Friday, March 15, 8.30 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: MID-CHESHIRE DIVISION.—At General Hospital, Altrincham, Sunday, March 17, 3 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CAMBERWELL DIVISION.—At Camberwell Town Hall, Tuesday, March 19, 3 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee and Emergency Officer. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CITY DIVISION.—At Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., Tuesday, March 19, 9 p.m. Dr. C. C. Worster-Drought: First Lecture on "The Neurology of War."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: LAMBETH AND SOUTHWARK DIVISION.—At Belgrave Hospital, 1, Clapham Road, S.W., Wednesday, March 20, 3 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: MARYLEBONE DIVISION.—At Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, W., Tuesday, March 19, 2.30 p.m. Election of Local Medical War Committee. All practitioners in the area of the Division are invited to attend.